#### A PARTING WORD.

Again we must urge upon our friends NORTHWEST. We are compelled to advance or urge the thread-bare and leave home without having time to settle our business as we desired. If every constituted the entire arguments against one of you who are in arrears for subto our office, you will enable us to go on easily with a work which is wearing potent arguments or abandon the posiupon us fearfully at present, because of the financial anxiety connected with it.

sence. This work is yours as well as to contribute both letters and subscriptions to its support ?

We shall be at home again by about

#### SOME COGITATIONS.

Izer read a collection of Bible texts upon occupied in voting. pecially stirring and appropriate.

ministry regard the enfranchisement of witless objections such as these. woman or the most indefinite allusion In close sympathy with him is the career, is now permitted by the Althereto, it was not without some trepi- man who fears that women will be sub- mighty to use his clearer spiritual visdation that we stood before the people jected to jeers and exposed to insult at ion in lightening up the course of the and exhorted the women to systematize the polls, that men will lose their high New York Tribune we find great joy in their work by beseiging the law-makers chivalric regard for women if they thus imagining. Certainly no other journal with singing and prayer. We showed mingle in the common crowd. In view has done so much to retard the woman that the foundation for the immense of the fact that women have heretofore movement, and to no other so rightfully traffle in ardent spirits rests upon legis- been strictly excluded from all crowded belongs the work of undoing its mislation, and the way to make this reform places this is certainly a weighty objectively lasting is to begin with the City Countion. When we venture to remark that Why was it necessary to depose "one

tearn that the women to whom they are a strong point in our favor. so frantically appealing to go forth and | The evil of intemperance cannot live

without a change in law. Mr. Izer read, with much emphasis, an account, clipped from some eastern newspaper, wherein it was related that were hereditary Sheriff of Multnomah the women of a certain town, by prayer county, declares that women should not alone, had dried up every rum hole. be allowed to vote, because, forsooth, Let our brother visit this town a year they would then be eligible to office, hence, our laws remaining as they are, and he asserts that they are by nature It will be remembered that the State with women having no opportunity to and circumstances incapacitated from Temperance Alliance, at its recent sesmake them better, and he will see that office-holding. Perhaps he may succeed sion, passed a new party resolution, and "the dog has returned to vomit again in making some believe that his object appointed a committee, whose duty it A

which man would so often thwart by bim. over-righteousness, are the embodiment of plainer practical common sense. We meet turns upon one or more of the obby no means impugn the motives jections we have noticed, so it is quite tical action in the coming State elecistry. Their lives are wholly ideal. it to say that most of them are the re- State. In accordance with this resolu-They subsist upon salaries earned by the sult of false education, prejudice, schish- tion, and in compliance with his duties number who would write to you such people, who are compelled by their busness and want of proper investigation; as Chairman of the Committee so apiness interests to take a practical view of life and so they applied that each and all have been hundreds of pointed, Mr. E. W. Ryan has published read." And, as there are a number of portunities of culture and wider fields of of life, and so they employ their ministers to look after spiritual things for and that in the great progress of events to meet in their several counties and story, "Judith Miles," I hope to be justice to say and believe that they do their best to earn and render a full equivalent for their earthly support.

But while their dectrine is splendld for preachers, and while it is very gratifying to them to have the sisters always do, "that they had nothing against it," to any considerable extent the result of ure and profit. ready to follow their dictation, we, with they will only repeat what we have all the coming political contest, we are yet I was pleased to see a letter from one emphatically declare that the women have their own work to do in their own way. God is opening up that way, and it pains us exceedingly when these men try to keep women tied hand and foot graphic descriptions of the suffering be not the shadow of a chance at present given to the world, under the licensed, rum-protecting laws of the land, while sending them forth, and children who are out of employed and children who are out of employed and children who are out of employed.

I am delighted to see that the ladies physically and intellectually the infeof the land, while sending them forth, and children who are out of employfettered, to pray in the purlieus of vice, ment, funds and credit in the great cities. dom, and harmony of their counsels rento remove the effects of man's unjust | While it is a well known fact that legislation. But, while they may hin- many persons are far less provident der, they cannot prevent the onward than others, and that a majority of the march of woman's power. The finger human family always will live in a sort of God has written the fiat of her des- of "from hand to mouth" style, yet is tiny in the progress of the age, and the equally well known that all laws and all-pervading light of Heaven's exalted legislation tend to make the rich richer truth is permeating her superstition-be- and the poor poorer. blinded understanding; and the ultimate Deep-thinking public financiers have to make purchases that the house reresult of this temperance crusade will be many times practically demonstrated of the purileus of our cities and villages ployed, and that not one business-inter-

## TO CONTRIBUTORS.

Some important communications were principal demanded. received too late to be published in this Gold and silver, instead of human lareceived too late of multiple port and silver, instead of number lassue. Persons sending matter for publication are requested to forward the wealth, and land, instead of human life, same in time for us to receive it on its surety.

In view of the unanswerable arguprogress of the movement in our State the necessity of sustaining the NEW gent men and women would cease to scriptions will at once forward the same seem that our opponents see the necessity of bringing to their aid other and more tion they occupy as untenable.

Our numbers are being constantly Again: remember to contribute to augmented by the addition of persons these columns regularly during our ab- who formerly opposed the enfranchisement of women, from the fact that they ours. And while we are away in a distant lecture-field, engaged in earning never properly weighed and considered money to keep the banner floating at the arguments for and against it and the mast-head, may we not depend upon whose position against it was solely the you, dear friends, at home and abroad, result of prejudice. Being, however, possessed of minds broad enough to comprehend, and magnanimous enough to accept the truth and justice of our being may rightly claim-they would be summons them to his presence, all What little I know I have taught mythe first of May. How many of you claims when properly presented, they

tion. Of these the most pathetically vociferous and inconsolable is he who We were much interested at the fears that if women are granted the poprayer meeting in the Presbyterian litical equality, which in the name of from New York Tribme in this issue church on last Friday evening, the right and justice we claim for them, under the above caption, last occasion upon which we had op- that their home duties will thereby be Could Horace Greeley have foreseen. portunity to be present at these meet-neglected, the children be allowed to less than two years ago, the significant ings before the sailing of the steamer. run riot, the husband be compelled to go fact that the Tribunes themselves of to-A very large and deeply attentive con-gregation was present. Rev. Dr. Atkin-in vain attempts to quiet the screams of son, whose dignified yet humble bearing a refractory child, and in the morning woman must not vote, because man inspires every beholder with respect and as a panacea for his ills be forced to don made it his business to protect her, confidence, made a few very sensible a buttonless shirt and breakfast on wouldn't he have changed his tactics? and earnest remarks. Rev. Mr. Medbury muddy coffee and hard-boiled eggs, offered a fervent petition, and Rev. Mr. while the misguided wife is constantly ing fancy to us that great journalists

the efficacy of prayer. Several other In vain we attempt to argue with, in the earth life, are permitted, after gentlemen also spoke and prayed, and console or comfort this poor fellow. The seeing the error of their ways in the the congregational singing was es- terrible ghost which his prejudices have mystical beyond, to use their newly enconjured up will not down; and he daily lightened influence to rectify the blun-Knowing well the timidity with attempts to stay the progress of the ders of material existence. That Horwhich many of our brethren in the inevitable by the rehearsal of feeble and ace Greely, emancipated from the dross

cil and carry our work from there women mingle in our largest crowds, not female copyist" in the federal employ through all the various ramifications of only without insult, but to the manifest Simply because that copyist could not pleasure and profit of themselves and vote. Nothing could be plainer than Were women enfranchised, they would The young ministers were very much their brethren, he hesitates a moment, the Tribmic's statement, and nothing speedily put it out of the power of loved perturbed at this. They thought we and then brightening up, as with a new more to the point than its argument. had enough of laws, and good enough idea, exclaims with an air of masculine ones; that it was religion we needed; superiority: "Oh! but elections are difjust as if religion would prosper under ferent, you see! There are always men bitterest provocations in this so-called woe. laws that protect the terrible curse of about the polls who are drunk and dis-land of plenty. It behooves them to Let us friends be united in our efforts

destroy the effects of man-made law, must have opportunity to attack this evil by the root, and that all the prayers of by the root, and that all the prayers of twhich the vote of woman will strike to the root of the first evils for does not the history of "one female" our forefathers trod! by the root, and that all the prayers of at which the vote of woman will strike men and angels will avail us nothing and one which will thereafter and for aye hide its diminished head.

Here is one of a quite numerous class who, with as much pomposity as if he and the sow to her wallowing in the tion is prompted by solicitude for the should be to issue a call to the friends of

along known to be the literal truth,

## WHY ARE THE PEOPLE POOR?

that she will stand side by side with the fact that no business will justify an man at the ballot-box to unmake the outlay of more than three per cent. per laws that have led the people to make annum as interest upon the capital emand, to use Mr. K.'s own language, "did a vast charnel-house of prostitution and est, company or corporation in five could have done it.21 Success honestly hundred is prepared to go on with its attained in any occupation is worthy of transactions if collaterals were suddenly commendation, and the success that in withdrawn and immediate payment of

The lieu lierthinest. OBJECTIONS WHICH AMOUNT TO crate that the value of gold and silver as currency is wholly fletitious, and as currency is wholly fictitious, and To the Entrop of the New Northwest: that individual ownership in land is frage, and of the rapid and triumphant dividual ownership in man. Both ideas the cry is heard: descended to us from the days of feudal and nation, it would seem that intelli- despotism when might made right, and are unworthy of being adhered to by the enlightened statesmen of to-day. questions which the famishing poor are by prayer alone.

# "ONE FEMALE COPYIST."

We call special attention to an arifele

But the world moves, and it is a pleas-

and statesmen who have made mistakes and selfishness that closed his earthly

copyist" prove that all dependent, working women are living at the mercy of the voting class?

Shame upon such a government! Out upon such usurpation of the sacred liberties of God!

# TEE NEW TEMPERANCE PARTY, and prayer be turned to praise.

women only. But for our part we think temperance to meet at some time and God works by plans, and His plans, it is easy to see what is the matter with place designated to take such steps and To THE EDITOR OF THE NEW NORTHWIST adopt such measures as might seem exsuperfluous to mention others. Suffice tion, by the temperance people of the

der the minority respectable. Two years ago Miss Dolly Runkle, of Des Moines, Iowa, commenced as a clerk in the extensive dry goods establishment of Knight Brothers, without any previous experience. A few days since, quired, the duty devolved upon this two years' time enables an inexperienced girl to perform the duty of an experienced merchant is as notable as it is

THE RING OF TRUE METAL.

"The war drums are beating," and ment offered in favor of Woman Suf-

"Up, soldiers, and fight! The despot Intemperate Hurl down from his height,"

Why one person should own five hun- ject agitated, for I believe it will lead to see the justice in such a law; but our dred acres of land, or five acres, as an men to seek for some means, as yet un- law-makers are wiser than I. Perhaps inheritance, while his neighbor, who tried, to accomplish its downfall. It is it is all right, has toiled when he slept, and econo- time something was being done to drive Whisky and Ignorance are the two mized when he spent his substance in this "dark presence" from our land. ( ) principal causes which lead to the com-

sarnings for a lifetime to the man whose of prayer, and believe that the fervent I am sorry to say that a majority of father, grandfather, or great uncle, first prayers of righteous men and women us convicts are lamentably ignorant. claimed the soil, why this is so, and, is avail much, I know there are many And, until Mr. Watkinds took charge it right, merely because it is so, are things which cannot be accomplished of the institution, there was no means

ings-and that is all which any human ing to certain destruction? Or, would ration of our condition.

of State. Our ship is at sea in a gale ble position in society. and in danger of being wrecked on the Your beture is still the theme of conthe mercy of the wind and waves, When such such is the case, shall we all you will not forget us. perance? No! Prayer alone will not

Oh, friends of the temperance cause, if you would have your prayers prevail, perface them with good deeds, work and watch as well as pray. If you call upon woman to assist you in your efforts to vanquish the dread monster, and call weapon in her hands the liquor dealers and liquor drinkers will be compelled to her hands tied.

The only way to effect any permanent good, in this matter, is to bring to bear the strong arm of the law, to lay the axe at the root of the tree.

project themselves. With the ballot to advance the cause of Woman Sufthey can secure protection; without it, frage, and thus advance the cause of

We, too, fight for Freedom-Our captain is God! Fling out our broad banners Against the blue sky, And shout, like true soldiers,

We conquer or die!" May the day soon come when intemperance shall be driven from the land,

TEMPERANCE Portland, March 10, 1874.

# VOICE FROM THE PENITENTIARY.

OREGON STATE PENITENTIARY, )

It is with unfeigned delicacy that I Most of the opposition with which we pedient and practicable for organizing a avail myself of your permission to ad-

each will at no distant day speedily be elect delegates to a Convention to be forgiven if I presume too far on your resolved in its native element, nothing- in Portland at Good Templars Hall on kindness, in asking you to send me the striking evidence of the evils of disfranand its erewhile opponents declare as While we are not of those who expect prison. It is passed from cell to cell, each and every one of them will surely to see such a party succeed in determining and read by many with infinite pleas- tiafly unwomanly. Voting is an exer-

glad to see temperance people at work.

Now that the Temperance Reform is beglad to see temperance people at work. of our number in the last issue of your ing so strongly agitated, it is well to bring every auxiliary possible to the himself highly flattered to know that Eastern exchanges are loaded with bring every auxiliary possible to the graphic descriptions of the sufferior. And though there

are making so grand and successful a raid on whisky, but fear that but little permanent good will be accomplished till they are allowed a voice in the making of our laws. Then saloous and all the haunts of vice will be forever closed. I hope a prohibitory law will soon be in force in the State, but while a making the law of the government. Women are in point of fact pecuniarily and personally dependent upon men, and therefore should not be politically independent of them. Mrs. Pierce admitted however. "Jug-ologists" are chosen for law-makers, we need not expect such a law to be
passed. They are "too sweet" on gin orce in this State; but

"Jug-ologists" are chosen for law-makers, we need not expect such a law to be passed. They are "too sweet" on ging themselves to pass a law prohibitory to lits sale. Do our legislators know the amount of harm the use of liquor does amo There are at least seventy-five men in this prison to-day who have been sent here through the influence of whisky; and out of two hundred and sixty that have neen sent here since I came in the influence of whisky; and out of two hundred and sixty that have neen sent here since I came in the influence of the audience, which were promptly checked by the Chairman. Let every friend of the audience, which were promptly checked by the Chairman. Let every friend of the audience, which were promptly checked by the Chairman. It is unworthy of the cause itself. We published lately the principles announced by the National Grange, and the friends of Woman's Rights have reason to take courage from the indications of progress making in that direction.—Statesman. have neen sent here since I came in its and places us in a false position. In 1867, two hundred of them have been a Legislative body, especially, and at a whisky victims. There are men here hearing where the audience are present simply as spectators, all expressions work for a family of nine, milks two cows, and keeps track of thirteen continued stories.

I waking in that direction.—Make that is sweeping over the nation and work for a family of nine, milks two cows, and keeps track of thirteen continued stories. same in time for us to receive it on its surety.

Mr. J. W. Kelly has severed his concentration of the severed his concentration of

by the Jailor, a few hours after their arrest. Did they commit the crime, or did whisky? The same law that licenced men to sell them whisky condemned them to prison for life for crimes comton schools of postorials of the last been there all the time. While the American people were wait-charge was entirely unfounded. The principle of the last been there all the time. While the American people were wait-charge was entirely unfounded. The principle of the last been there all the time. While the American people were wait-charge was entirely unfounded. The principle of the last been there all the time. by the jailor, a few hours after their ar-It rejoices my heart to hear this sub- mitted while under its influence. I fail

of bettering our condition. He purasking, and which, ere another century When a ship is at sea in a gale, tem-chased books for those who desired to shall dawn, they will force the world to pert-tossed and in danger of being driven study, and loaned many from his prion the rocks, would a wise commander vate library to those who wished to read If nineteen-twentieths of the wealthy sit idly in his cabin, his crew riotous them. He has granted us a couple of men of the land were to-day deprived of and drunken, his passengers indifferent hours each evening to study, and has, all property except their own just earn- and his ship, with all sail spread, rush- in fact, done all he could for the amelio-

rock of Intemperance. Captain Grant versation here. It will be long ere the sits in the cabin, seemingly indifferent words of encouragement and hope are engaged in prayer, and we are all at your voice again in our chapel, and hope when you again visit Salem that

Hoping, dear madam, that you will pardon this intrusion on your time and patience, as well as all errors, I subscribe myself, Yours truly, DICK ALEXANDER.

Woman Suffrage in Massachusetts. The friends of Woman Suffrage in upon her you must if you succeed, place Massachusetts have reason to be pleased in her hands the only means by which and satisfied with the Legislative hearing before the Joint Special Committee it can be accomplished. Arm her with on Woman Suffrage, which took place the ballot and she will go forth "con- in the Green Room at the State House in quering and to conquer." It will prove a Boston, on the 13th inst. Although, from the shortness of the notice, no announcement of the hearing had been made in the Woman's Journal, a large respect. Do not call upon her and ex- and intelligent audience assembled, pect her to accomplish anything with The Committee, most of whom were present, are composed of the following gentlemen:

SENATE COMMITTEE. Henry S. Washburn of Suffolk county, Walter N. Mason of Middlesex, Charles P. Stickney of Bristol. HOUSE COMMITTEE,

John E. Fitzgerald of Boston, William S. Knox of Lawrence, William F. Bluut of Haverhill, Warren Tyler of North Brookfield, F. E. Gray of Springfield, Henry W. Wilson of Boston,

and yet the wrong is not righted. Our claim is based upon the foundation principle of representative government. We ask only for a consistent applica-tion of the recognized American theory of self-government in the case of one-half of our citizens. You have enfran-chised the colored man. You have enfranchised the rebel. You admit men of foreign birth. Only your own mothers and wives and sisters and daughters are excluded. You rank every woman the political inferior of the meanest and most degraded man. All we ask is that you will make our case your own, and "as you would that others should do

unto you, do ye even so unto them."

Mrs. Edunh D. Cheney showed the loss which the State sustained by being deprived of the active services of women In your lecture here you said that in its charitable, educational and reformatory enterprises, and its other branches of congenial public activity. Suffrage would be of great practical usefulness. The recent exclusion of women from the Boston School Committee, upon the express ground that women are not voters, it is a new and

> Mrs. Zinn Fay Pierce spoke earnestly in opposition to the petitions, upon the ground that Manhood Suffrage is essencise of power which implies ability to sustain it by physical force, if necessary.

When soher they had no intention of examine the signatures attached to the harming anyone; and were not aware of having done so till informed of the fact by the jailor, a few hours after their are

twenty-one years and upwards. For the credit of the lady and herself, he asked her to produce her informant or to lay a written statement of facts with It was proper to say, in this connection, that not one dollar had been paid to any one person for the labor of circulating these petitions. It had been done mostly by ladies in every case from personal interest in the movement. He was glad that Mrs. Pierce had given so fine an example of woman's fitness for moment—or, if you have plenty of time, her argument was really on our side. ist! They searched with lighted candle What we ask is not Manhood Suffrage through all of them; they summone speedily change places with those whom they to-day spurn as panpers; and if all the vessel might be borne safely out, will organize societies, raise clubs for the New Northwest, and otherwise carry forward the glorious work of Hucarry forward the glorious work of the saint, and use every I had but fittle encouragement to study, of force. The belief that somebod work of his post, furl the saint, and use every I had but fittle encouragement to study, of forwar women are only paid from one-third to one-half as much as men for equal work. But to-day men are not themselves represented in polities. We live under on a furlough to vote. The men who caucus government, in which not five did the work of the departments could sits in the cabin, seemingly indifferent to our fate. Some of the passengers and crew are drunk and disorderly, others to be the society of women, and so long as women are avoided from the private that the society of women, and so long as women are avoided from the private that the society of women are avoided from the private that the society of women are avoided from the private that the society of women are avoided from the private that the society of women are avoided from the private that the society of women are avoided from the private that the society of the contraction of the department and those per cent. The not be spared, and the work of the department and not be spared, and the work of the department and the per cent. The not be spared, and the men who sat up on high stools and used quill toother the society of women, and so long as women are avoided from the private that the society of women are avoided from the per cent. women are excluded from the primary with each other in the various departmentings these meetings will be largely ments, were indispensable. Without them the machinery of Government mercenary men. Politics has become a would hardly run. They oil it. They When such such is the case, shall we all kneel quietly in prayer, and without making any other effort, beseech the God of storms and sunshine to bring our vessel into the calm waters of Temore was all parts of the Union, and their influences our vessel into the calm waters of Temore was all parts of the Union, and their influences in the caucus. And it can only be effected by enlisting the social sympathy would have the would narrity run. They on it. They make trade, and our present system may be defined as ignorance manipulated by cunning. Political Reform must begin in the caucus. And it can only be effected by enlisting the social sympathy would be obliged to remain at home, and the caucus and the caucus are converting of woman and many members of the making any other effort, beseech the just cause for which you are so bravely lighting, and hope sometime to aid your cause by casting a vote in its favor. and co-operation of women, and men who associate with women, in the primary meetings and at the polls. Speaking of the method to be pursued, Mr. Blackwell hoped that the Committee would, first of all, ask the Legislature to give women Presidential and Municipal Suffrage by amending the election to give women Presidential and Municipal Suffrage by amending the election laws. Thus women could be enabled to pensed with, and the Committee property of the pensed to bunt him or her down. The wote in town and ward meetings for all officers except Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and members of the Legislature. The State Constitution only limits suffrage to male citizens in these last named cases. For himself he was last named cases. For himself he was opposed to going before the people with a proposal to amend the Constitution until suffrage had been extended to women first under the Constitution as it is. If the presence of women in town

resent.

Mr. Samuel E. Sewall rose to speak for one moment question.

And now we suggest that this thing This pur-

wages, education and opportunity to which women are subjected in consequence of their disfranchisement, and drew a graphic contrast between the provisions of Massachusetts Colleges for the education of young men and those the education of young men and those of one female copyist. The people are of the Normal Schools designed to train not unreasonable in their demands. the young women who constitute seven- This will answer for the present. Now eights of all our teachers. She illustrated let Congress order some sloops of war her theme with telling anecdotes and and some public buildings, and provide illustrations which gave great satisac- for some railroads to the Pacific, and ad-

tion to the audience.

The committee then announced an adjournment of the hearing to the following Wednesday at Representatives Hall. We will give an account of it next week. It is greatly to be regretted no fair idea of the real interests of the occasion, - Woman's Journal,

The dispatches have told us within a few days how the House of Representatives in the Legislature of two great States - Michigan and Iowa - have formed an article to be submitted to the people regulating the elective franchise and have voted by a decided majority to strike out the word "male" in said arti-cle, which would, we have reason to infer, give suffrage to male and female alike. It was quite a coincidence that these great States should perform this act almost simultaneously, and that the vote given in each for striking out the word male was as identical as possible. There being a difference of only one vote in the two legislatures, and that one vote being indivisible, the result could not be identical. The Supreme Court Massachusetts,

"One Female Coppyst."

They found her in the Interior De-

partment in the office of the Fifth Audrequest to obtain only signers of flerce and eager Committee went prancresponsible signature, before the Com- anybody to be vindicated—there she sat mittee. Nearly 5000 adult citizens of in the Interior Department in the office Massachusetts had petitions this Legis of Fifth Auditor Ela, on a high stool at lature for suffrage within the past four a desk, calmly and deliberately sucking weeks. Petitions were pouring in daily. the life-blood of the Republic-lif we suffrage. Her moral courage in avow- fifteen or twenty moments-in all the ing her convictions was an act of hero-ism and deserved the thanks of all. But supernumerary, and she a female copyfor women, but citizen suffrage for all. secretaries and chief clerks and heads of Suffrage is not a masculine function. It bureaus; they brought in some of the

and ward meetings proved beneficial and acceptable, it would soon be followed by a Constitutional Amendment. If it proved injurious, it would be repealed by a subsequent Legislature thrilled by this successful pursuit of the elected by men alone.

Committee and the country have been thrilled by this successful pursuit of the female copyist. When Mr. Carpenter deceded by men alone.

Mr. Fitzgerald, Chairman of the House
Committee, asked whether the Constitutional right of the Legislature to enact such a law had been considered?

Mr. Blackwell said that it had been the people's money had gone, it was felt considered, and that able lawyers had that it was a step in the right direction, expressed an affirmative opinion. The and that if things kept on at that rate it ald Province Charter gave suffrage to would very shortly happen that all the "Freeholders and other inhabitants present at Town Meetings." The State Addison Gilbert of Glousseter,
Henry L. Pratt of Mansfield.

At 10 a. M. the chairman read the
petition and invited all who wished to
speak for or against it, to do so.
Lacy Stone was the first speaker.

She reminded the Committee that the
women of Massachusetts had petitioned
and appeared at the State House, year
after year, in support of their petitions and appeared at the State House, year after year, in support of their petitions ever since 1853. Men who were now voters were infants in their cradles when this demand for justice was first made, and yet the wrong is not righted. Our claim is based upon the foundation minds, and enlisted the feelings of all picks his teeth with a quill and talks

> upon the legal question, but yielded the floor to Miss Mary F. Eastman.
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> Miss Eastman stated the inequality of suit of essnowny cannot be other than journ. - N. Y. Tribune.

## A Grand Opportunity.

There are times in the history of the that the reports in our daily papers are world when God seems to come down so meagre and inadequate as to convey on earth, and take the management of human affairs in his own hands. The flaming comet, the mighty earthquake, the fearful pestilence, do not more sig-THE QUESTION OF WOMAN'S RIGHTS. in the natural world, than do revivals, remarkable answers to prayers, and great revolutionary movements manifest his presence and power in the moral

Hardly have the efforts of scientists and infidels to demonstrate the futility of prayer, and even overturn the throne of Deity, ceased, ere we see a demonstration by means of the simplist in-strumentalities, carrying conviction to the minds of human beings everywhere that God is, and that, as ever, He is still the Being who hears prayer. So, too, the discussion of woman's sphere of duty, her ability to do good, her right to preach the gospel, etc., is still sounding through the land, when, lo and behold, the providence of God places woman in the forefront of the grander below. answering an inquiry submitted by the Legislature of that State, has replied that women are eligible to the office of School Commissioner. This opens a field of practical usefulness to our better halves that we should like to see also very den of wild beasts and confronts. of prayer, she advances boldly to the very den of wild beasts and confronts extended to Oregon, for no where else in relation to public affairs, unless in connection with State and county charities, can woman act to better advantage of the enemies of God an man in their own dominions. Of woman it may now be said, as never before: She through faith "subdued kinesions." through faith "subdued kingdoms, tage.
We are assured that Woman Suffrage ices, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness was made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the

A golden opportunity is now offered to the Christian women of America, with God on their side, to achieve nobler victories than were ever won on fields of carnage. In every village, in every city, she should prayerfully, trust-